

## PRIMARY & SECONDARY SYPHILIS IN MEN (MSM)

## **SYPHILIS IN MALES BY PARTNER GENDER IN 2010**

(among cases where partner gender is known)



16% men who have sex with women

83% men who have sex with men\*

AMONG MSM WITH SYPHILIS



were also infected with HIV

## IT'S COMPLICATED...

\*includes bisexual men

Homophobia and stigma can negatively affect the health of MSM by influencing:

- Alcohol & drug use
- Sexual risk taking
- Healthcare seeking behaviors





Having syphilis makes it easier to get HIV from someone who is infected. If you are living with HIV, having syphilis also makes it easier to give HIV to someone else.



GYT: Get yourself talking to your partners and healthcare provider about STI/HIV testing. If you're living with HIV, let your sex partners know before you have sex, and ask for routine STI testing as part of your regular HIV care.

